

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: OHASHI, Tatsuya, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1641.

Serial No.: 10/538,912

Examiner: GRUN, James Leslie

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For: IMMUNOASSAY METHOD AND KIT TO BE USED THEREIN

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

February 3, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **September 5, 2008**, the period for response extended to **February 5, 2009**, by a Petition for a two-month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is concurrently filed herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.